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Subject: Pollution Report for the Removal Action at the Columbus Auto Parts  
site, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio.

POLREP NO. 1 (INITIAL)

## II. BACKGROUND:

Site No:	XR
Delivery Order No:	5001-05-638
Response Authority:	CERCLA
CERCLA Incident Category:	Removal Funded
NPL Status:	None
Start Date:	09-29-94

## III. RESPONSE INFORMATION:

## A. Situation

- o The Columbus Auto Parts site is located at 575 E. Hudson Street in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio. The site consists of approximately 32 acres of land containing several large buildings which formerly housed manufacturing and office activities during the facility's operation as an auto parts manufacturer. The facility was in operation until 1989. Current site ownership is uncertain at this time.
- o On June 27, 1994, U.S. EPA conducted a site assessment and documented the presence of abandoned drums containing corrosive and petroleum wastestreams. Drums were deteriorated, leaking, and unsecured. In addition, a number of open pits, containing petroleum based wastes were also encountered at the site, along with several UST's and an AST, which also contained wastes.

## B. Actions Taken

- o September 1, 1994 - Action memo signed for removal action. Delivery Order 5001-05-638 issued to EQM to initiate removal action on September 29, 1994.

- o October 6, 1994 - On-site meeting with contractors conducted. TAT collects samples from pits and UST's for hazard categorization and laboratory analysis. Begin mobilization arrangements.
- o October 16, 1994 - Continue mobilization efforts. Previous problems in arranging for power supply solved through use of portable generators. Contingency plan meeting held with U.S. EPA and local fire departments.
- o October 17, 1994 - Additional fire occurs at facility. ERCS begin arrangements for fence contractor to repair holes in fence to limit accessibility to trespassers.
- o October 24, 1994 - Site fully mobilized. ERCS personnel begin clearing debris off building floors and begin placement of floor dry over oil-covered floors in buildings. Continue efforts to obtain water for use on-site. Begin removal of overhead piping in work zones. Swimming pool set up for use in bulking of oily wastewaters.

#### C. Next Steps

- o Inventory and characterize abandoned wastes. Establish wastestreams for disposal.
- o Repackage wastes for disposal.

#### D. Key Issues

- o Deteriorated drums and pits containing corrosive and petroleum wastes.
- o Site vandalism incidences have included the arrest of 4 youths, three of which were carrying guns and two of which had outstanding warrants for their arrest. Also shots have been fired above a security guard's head. Two guards are now on-site during non-working hours and one guard is on-site during working hours. Columbus Police Department is periodically conducting aerial surveillance.

### IV. COST INFORMATION

Estimate through October 24, 1994

	BUDGETED	TOTAL TO DATE	REMAINING
ERCS	\$700,000	\$ 30,000	\$670,000
TAT	\$ 32,000	\$ 12,749	\$ 19,251
EPA DIRECT	\$ 33,815	\$ 621	\$ 33,194
EPA INDIRECT	\$ 72,025	\$ 1,323	\$ 70,702
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	\$837,840	\$ 44,693	\$793,147